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FOLLOWED BY TRANSFORMATIONS AND EMPLOYING AN INVOLUNTARY LOOKUP



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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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RESPONSE

Massistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 20, 2000, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. A petition for an extension of time is included herein.

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REMARKS

Claims 1 and 2 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Alanara in view of Appendix A to IS-54. Applicants respectfully traverse this art grounds of rejection.

In rejecting claim 1, the Examiner contends that Alanara teaches all the features of the claimed invention except for the iteration of CMEA. The